

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A method of generating an animation model, comprising:
 - providing an image capture device, the image capture device having an image display;
 - displaying a template in the image display;
 - capturing an image of a subject when the subject is framed by the template; and
 - generating an animation model using the captured image.

2. The method of Claim 1, further comprising the steps of, prior to generating an animation model, displaying the captured image on the image display and verifying the alignment of the template with the captured image.

3. A method of generating an animation model, comprising:
 - providing an image capture device, the image capture device having a viewfinder;
 - viewing a template in the viewfinder;
 - capturing an image of the subject when the template is aligned with a subject; and
 - generating an animation model using the captured image.

4. A method of generating an animation model, comprising:
 - providing an image capture device, the image capture device having an image display and first and second templates, the first template differing from the second template;
 - displaying the first template in the image display;
 - aligning the first template with a subject;
 - capturing a first image of the subject;
 - displaying the second template in the image display;
 - aligning the second template with a subject;

capturing a second image of the subject; and
generating an animation model using the first and second captured
images.

5. The method of Claim 4, further comprising the step of,
prior to generating an animation model, displaying the first captured image in the
image display and verifying the alignment of the first template with the first
captured image.

6. The method of Claim 4, further comprising the step of
reviewing the animation model on the image display.

7. A method of generating an animation model, comprising:

(a) providing an image capture device, the image capture device
having an image display and first, second, third, and fourth templates, the first
template representative of a front view of a subject, the second template
representative of a first side view of the subject, the third template representative
of a back view of the subject, and the fourth template representative of a second
side view of the subject;
(b) displaying the first template in the image display;
(c) aligning the first template with the subject;
(d) capturing a first image of the subject;
(e) repeating steps (b) through (d) using the second, third, and
fourth templates to capture a second, third, and fourth image, respectively; and
(f) generating an animation model using the captured first, second,
third, and fourth images.

8. An image capture device, comprising:
a plurality of templates, each of the plurality of templates differing
from each other; each template comprising an outline representative of a
predetermined position of a subject;
an image display for displaying each of the plurality of templates;

an image capture member for capturing an image when the subject is framed within one of the plurality of templates; and

means for generating an animation model using the captured images.

9. The image capture device of Claim 8, wherein the image display is adapted to display the captured image with the one of the plurality of templates.

10. The image capture device of Claim 8, wherein the subject is a person and the outline is representative of a head of the person.

11. The image capture device of Claim 8, wherein the plurality of templates is defined as four and the predetermined positions are defined at 0, 90, 180, and 270 degrees.

12. An image capture device, comprising:
a viewfinder for locating a subject;
a first, second, third, and fourth template, each template differing from another template, each template comprising an outline representative of a predetermined position;
a rotatable template member for moving the first second, third, and fourth template relative to the viewfinder to individually align the first second, third, and fourth template in overlapping registration with the viewfinder; and
an image capture member for capturing a first, second, third, and fourth image when the first, second, third, and fourth template is aligned, respectively, with the subject.

13. The image capture device of Claim 12, wherein the first template is representative of a front view of a subject, the second template is representative of a first side view of the subject, the third template is

representative of a back view of the subject, and the fourth template is representative of a second side view of the subject;

14. The image capture device of Claim 12, wherein the subject is a person and the outline is representative of a head of the person.

15. The image capture device of Claim 12, wherein the first, second, third, and fourth template comprises predetermined positions at 0, 90, 180, and 270 degrees, respectively of the subject.

16. A template member, comprising:
a first template representative of an outline of a front view of a subject;
a second template representative of an outline of a first side view of the subject;
a third template representative of an outline of a back view of the subject;
a fourth template representative of an outline of a second side view of the subject; and
means for moving each of templates in alignment with a viewfinder of an image capture device.

17. The template member of Claim 16, further comprising attachment means for attaching the template member to an image capture device.